

MINUTES
NMDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
December 11, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by President John Collins.

Board members present were John Collins, Rena Haynes, Barbara Burkhardt, Susan Dezavelle, Randi Phillips, Marybeth Perez Soto, Virginia Gredell, Donald Simpson, and Rusty Cook. Board members absent were Kathleen Martin, and Harold Baskin.

1. **Minutes.** MOTION by Rusty, seconded by Randi, to accept the minutes of the November 13 Board meeting. Motion carried. MOTION by Rusty, seconded by John, to accept the minutes of the November 17 General Membership meeting. Motion carried. These minutes were taken by Barbara Burkhardt in Rusty's absence.
2. **Financial Report.** Rena reported that for the year to date NMDA has net income of \$1,498.20. Scholarship fund donations for this year totaled \$513.75. Net income from schooling shows totaled \$287.00. Damage deposits for BFRA of \$150.00, should be refunded to NMDA by the end of this year. Gross income since November 8th, consisted of \$1,445 from membership dues, \$255.00 scholarship fund donations, and \$0.68 in interest on our checking account balance. Expenses for this time period included \$470.00 for group membership dues and \$396.70 for election and general meeting costs. Total Cash assets are \$22,650.42. MOTION by Susan, seconded by Randi, to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.
3. **Membership.** Virginia reported 67 members for 2013 as of today. There are 2 Business memberships and 6 Juniors.
4. **Youth.** Kathleen reported (through John) some new youth members. She has been spreading the word about NMDA through 4-H and FFA kids and their parents. NMDA may sponsor a youth show at Cherry Tree Farm next year.
5. **Schooling Shows.** Marybeth reported that 2012 shows averaged 34.55 rides per show. For 2013 she anticipates dates for the Arab shows in June and October will remain approximately the same. The May Arab show will be breed restricted. Watermelon Mountain Pony Club will have their show May 4-5. She is working to schedule dates and locations for shows and will recruit show managers.
6. **Recognized shows.** Donald reported that online entries will be accepted in 2013, including payment. Additions to the website should be done very soon.
7. **New Business.** There was discussion of possible educational programs for 2013. Western Dressage has been requested.
8. **Old Business.** Results of the election of Officers for 2013 are: President – Marybeth Perez-Soto, Vice President – Randi Phillips, Secretary – Susan Dezavelle, Treasurer – Rena Haynes. 56 ballots were returned. A few had comments, which John will summarize for discussion at the next meeting. For the Awards Banquet it was recommended that all schooling show managers and secretaries be recognized, and that one overall outstanding volunteer receive an award. MOTION by Marybeth, seconded by Donald, to charge \$20/person for the Awards Banquet. After much discussion the motion carried by a vote of 7/2. There will be prizes awarded to 18 Champions. These go to the owner of the horse. Two owners have two horses each receiving Champion awards. There will be 14 Reserve Champions awarded prizes.
9. **Motion to Adjourn.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rusty Cook, Secretary